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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 23/June, through Sunday, 30/June there were 212 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE0A, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY9, D2, D4, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FR/t, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9N, VP8/h, VP8/o, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations. As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B8, MAURITIUS. There have been several **3B8/S51OI** QSNs reported over the past weekend on 20 meters CW. Watch 14022 kHz between 1030 and 1430z. The operator's name is Ed, and he states to QSL via his home callsign.

4W, EAST TIMOR. Thor, **4W6MM**, has once again been very active on 20 meters CW. Watch 14002 kHz after 1100z. After 1300z, he will sometimes come up on SSB on 14195 kHz.

5W, SAMOA. David/K8AA and Ted/K8AQM hope to be active from here between **July 2-12th**, possibly as **5W0AA** or **5W0DL** (K8AA) and **5W0TR** (K8AQM). Activity will be on 40-10 meters, mainly on CW and digital modes with some SSB. QSL via K8AA.

7X, ALGERIA. Mirek, 9V1XE/VK2DXI/SP5IXI, will once again be active as **7X0DX**. His activity will begin the **first or second week of July**. He is expected to be there longer this time, **3-4 weeks**. He will be active in his spare time on HF and via AO40. This time he will not take antennas for UO14, so there will be no activity on this satellite. During his last activities, Mirek was active from the locator IM81. This time, he will also activate IM93. On HF, he will be on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. Look for Topband activity. Updates about his operation will be published on the Web site at: <http://www.7x0.sp5zcc.waw.pl/> You can also find there his on-line log and a guest book where you can place your requests for a special band or mode. QSL via DL4DBR.

AN INTERVIEW WITH P5/4L4FN. Radio Austria International's "Intermedia" weekly communications magazine will broadcast an extensive interview with Ed, **P5/4L4FN**, in North Korea (his personal, ham, and professional background; how he succeeded to operate from P5; current situation and future plans...> in issue #275 Friday 5 July (UTC) 17:04, 18:30 Saturday 6 July 02:03*, 19:03 Sunday 7 July 16:30 German Service to Europe on 6.155, 13.730 (-18:00) and 5.945 (18:00-), *only via satellite and via ASTRA (ORF-DVB 12.692 H, SR 22000, FEC 5/6) RealAudio and MP3 for download (German and English versions) via: <http://roi.orf.at/intermedia/> (#275) and <http://www.qsl.at>

CY9, ST. PAUL ISLAND. **CY9DH** is now active **until July 9th**. Operators are Duane/WV2B, William/VE1AAO, James/VE9DH, Ed/W0SD, Arliss/W7XU, Holly/ N0QJM and Edith/W0OE. One of the operators was heard saying NO RTTY this trip. Over the past weekend, they were heard on 20/17/15/12/10/6 meters. Please refer to OPDX.565 for frequencies to be used. QSL via W7XU.

DXCC NEWS..... Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL DXCC Manager, reports that the following are approved for DXCC credit from Tunisia: **3V8SF, 3V8SM, 3V8SQ, 3V8ST** and **3V8SJ**.

EP, IRAN. Stig, **EP3UN**, seems to be active regularly on 30 and 17 meters CW. Look for him between 1530 and 1900z on or around 18077 kHz. From 1900z and later, watch around 10103 kHz. He has also been spotted on 40 and 20 meters. Watch 14195 kHz after 1500z and 7009 kHz after 1900 or later after 2300z. QSL via LA7JO.

FS, ST. MARTIN. Jimmy, W6JKV, is currently active from here as **FS/W6JKV** until **July 7th**. Activity will be mainly on 6 meters. From his QTH, he will be using a yagi with a 40 foot boom. He will have a beacon on 50.103 unless he announces otherwise.

GETTING STARTED ON RTTY. Over the past week, Don, AA5AU, has offered his assistance to anyone interested in getting started on RTTY to work the P5 operation. He states that he was surprised at the interest he generated and has helped several individuals privately to operate RTTY. Instead of trying to tutor all these operators individually, Don has decided to create pages on his web site with step-by-step instructions on how to download, install and use the MMTTY program. His project is almost complete and is expected to be done by this past weekend. The URL is: <http://www.aa5au.com/rtty/> The project is called "Getting Started on RTTY". Don states, "As most of you probably already know, RTTY is a very popular mode for DXing. Every current DXCC Entity has been QRV on RTTY except one, BS7..... If you have any questions, I'd be happy to try to answer them for you. RTTY is a very easy and fun mode to operate. You can watch TV, read your E-mail, surf the Web and work RTTY at the same time...." Don's E-mail address is: aa5au@bellsouth.net

IOTA NEWS.....

- **AF-042.** A group of URE (Malaga, Spain) hams have organized a trip to **Alboran Island**. The days of operation are **July 19-23rd**. The team consists of: EA7RU, EA7AIN, EA7VK, EA7HZ and EB7HAF. Operation will be on 10, 15 and 20 meter SSB, CW, VHF. The callsign is unknown at this time. QSL via EA7RU (Callbook address). Since their transportation will be by a fishing ship, the date can be modified around those days. More information can be found on the URE web site at: <http://www.ure.es> (Use the link to the URE Malaga Radioclub.)
- **AS-080.** Han/DS2GOO, Son/DS3HWS and Chae/DS5BSX plan to be active from **Anmyon Island** between **July 5-7th**. They will sign as **homecall/3** on 40,15,12 and 10 meters SSB. They expect to use 100w during their activity. The team has various antennas which include a 3 element 15m beam. QSL via homecall. Some information and a log search (none real-time) will be available at: <http://myhome.naver.com/~dxe2han/as080/> ADDED NOTE: Another HL team is planning an IOTA expedition to the same place around the **IOTA Contest** period. Some of them expect to be active in the IOTA contest. There will be more details possibly later.
- **EU-016. 9A8RR** will be active from the **Korcula Island** (CI-041) during the **IOTA Contest**. QSL via OM7JG.
- **EU-016.** Mato, 9A3PA, and friends will activate the island and lighthouse of **Glavat**, as **9A8RR/p** (Vrhovnjaci group, CI-144, LH-0170, CRO-004) on **July 30-31st**. QSL via OM7JG.
- **EU-077.** Look for ED1URJ to be active from **Sisarga Grande Island** by operators CT1CJJ, CT1EEB, CT1EEN, EA1CA, EA1DAV, EA2TV, EA4ABE, and EA4ST, **July 27-28th**. Activity will be in the **IOTA Contest** using 100w mixed mode cw/ssb. QSL via EA4URJ bureau or direct.
- **EU-114.** Dany, F5CW, has been signing **FG/F5CW** from **Guadeloupe** since **June 22nd**. However, **now through July 12th**, look for him as **TO8CW** from **Guadeloupe Island**, Basse Terre West Coast/Black Point (DIFO FG019) and a short trip to the **Saintes** (FG010). QSL via F8CMT direct or French REF Bureau.
- **EU-136. 9A0R** will be active from the Island of **Krk** (CI-046) during the **IOTA Contest** on 40-10 meters (SSB and CW). Members are: OE1EMS, OE2WPO, OE8KDK, OE8MHQ, OE8SKQ and 9A9R. QSL via DJ2MX. A few days before and after contest they will be active as **9A/HOMECALL**.
- **NA-052.** Members of the Rusty Zipper HF and DX Contest Club (NA8KD) will be active during **July 30th through August 1st**, from **Key Largo, FL**, to **Key West, FL**. They will be working the normal IOTA frequencies mainly on SSB. Please QSL via KG8DP. They should have an on-line log shortly after their return. Their web site is: <http://www.qsl.net/na8kd/>

J7, DOMINICA. George/K5KG and Fred/NA2U plan to be active from **July 6-16th**, as **J75KG** and **J79MM**, respectively. They will operate the **IARU contest** as **J75KG**. Operation will be on 80 through 10 meters, with concentration on CW. They will be active on 6 meters if antenna arrangements can be made. QSLs for J75KG will be via KU9C. QSLs for J79MM will be via NA2U.

KH2, GUAM. Aki, JR1VAY, will be active as **KH2VI** in the **IARU HF World Championship July 13-14th**. Guam is in ITU Zone 64 and he will be in the contest as a Single Op/All

Band/SSB only entry. QSL to JR1VAY through the JARL Bureau.

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY AND NEWS.....

- Kjell, SM4DDS, will be operating from the **Orskar Lighthouse**, IOTA EU-177 (ARLHS SWE-052), during the **IOTA Contest** and will be using his IOTA callsign of **8S4C/5**.
- Ray, KB8ZYY, will be active from the **Ausable Pierhead Lighthouse** (ARLHS USA-929) on **August 17th and 18th**, on 20/40 meters and possibly 80 meters. QSL to callbook address with a 8 1/2 by 4 1/2 SASE.

LOW BAND FREQUENCIES. Tapani, OH2LU, informs OPDX readers that the allowed low frequency bands in Finland (and in Europe) are as follows:

- **160m band:** 1810-1850 kHz (max. 1000W), 1850-1855 kHz (max. 15W) 1861-1906 kHz (max. 15W), 1912-2000 kHz (max. 15W).
- **80m band:** 3500-3800 kHz (max. 1000W)
- **40m band:** 7000-7100 kHz (max. 1000W)

So, the low bands are narrower there than in the USA, and on 160m there are discontinuances and power restrictions.

OZ, DENMARK. The EDR Vestfyn branch will participate in the annual **VHF Field Day**, from 1400z, **July 3rd** through 1400z, **July 4th**, using the call **OZ5VF** from Grid Square JO55CE near **Faaborg** at the Island of **Fyn (EU-172)**. Their suggested frequencies will be around (+/-QRM) 50.173 MHz, 144.173 MHz or 144.273 MHz and 432.173 MHz.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- The **3G1X** and **CB4A** logs for the CQWPX CW 2002 Contest have been on-line at their respective web pages since Monday, May 27th, just after the Contest. Please, visit: <http://www.qsl.net/3g1x/> and <http://www.qsl.net/cb4a/> There are some nice photographs as well on the Web page. Station 3G1X (op. Nick, XQ1IDM) was active in the SOABHP category in the CW version, and CB4A (op. Juan Pablo, CE4USW) participated in both SSB, CW versions (Chilean prefix first issued). QSL cards are via their homecall.
- Jose, CT1EEB, informs OPDX that he has just received the last update for the **4W/CU3FT** logs (month of April). All pending DIRECT requests are in the envelope and have been mailed (airmail - 78 envelopes). Right now all backlog of cards to reply either to his callsign or to 4W6EB, CU3/CT1EEB and 4W/CU3FT is up-to-date. Jose states, "Bureau cards will also follow soon, well as soon as he can find time to sort all this 4000 (probably more) cards and send them to Lisbon, hard to find some free time when you are on the mid 30's, Hi !"
- **4W/VK2QF QSL STATUS.** Neville, VK2QF, reports that all outstanding cards have been processed and should have been dropped in the mail as of last Wednesday. During the next year or so, he will move all the generated labels to cards and process them to the bureau. After this, logs will be closed on his DXpedition. Neville adds that he has recently dealt with the death of his mother in March, a very ill father now to care for, plus 2 jobs.
- Don, G3XTT, reports **GB50** operation from Windsor Castle was probably the highest-profile special event station ever to be activated from the UK. Some 24,727 QSOs were

made from 145 DXCC entities were achieved. Also, some several hundred visitors to Windsor Castle each day took time out to watch the operation and to tour the RSGB (Radio Society of Great Britain) Amateur Radio Experience exhibition. Don's complete press release with more details on their operation will be sent to all OPDX InterNet Subscribers as an additional bulletin. Also, a full write-up and photographs will appear in the RSGB magazine "RadCom" and on the GB50 Web site at: <http://www.gb50.com> Remember, to QSL via G4DFI.

- Davide, IK4DCT, informs OPDX that on-line logs, as well as some interesting information for his **HS0/IK4MRH** operation can be found on the web page: <http://www.qsl.net/ik4mrh/>
- Rick Kourey, K4KL, informs OPDX that QSLs for contacts with **NH4/NH6YK Miday Island** DXpedition are now being received. He received his QSL Saturday, June 29th.
- Nikolay, UX0FF, informs OPDX that he and others were on a small DXpedition to Ochakivskij Island in the Black Sea (IOTA EU -182, Ukrainian Island Award - DU-04). In about 60 hours of operation, they made about 3900 QSOs. QSL cards are already printed. QSL via their home callsign as follows:
 - **UX0FF/P** - Nikolay Lavreka , P.O .Box 3 , IZMAIL , 68600 , UKRAINE
 - **UX3FW/P** - Yuriy Kucherenko, P.O. Box 60 , IZMAIL , 68600 , UKRAINE
 - **UT2FA/P** - Serge Platonov , P.O. Box 44 , ODESSA , 65000 , UKRAINEQSL address for VK4AAR is: Alan Roocroft, PO Box 421, Gatton, QLD 4343 Australia (Either use QLD or spell out Queensland).
- **SPECIAL NOTE:** There will be no log updates on DX.QSL.NET from **July 6th through July 18th** since Doug, N6RT, will be in Finland competing at the WRTC2002. All received logs will be processed after his return.

SPECIAL EVENT. Look for special event station **K4S** to operate from the **4th of July** celebration at **Shiloh National Military Park, Tennessee**, on Thursday, **July 4th** from 1600 UTC until 1800 UTC. A special full-color QSL will be available for an SASE to K5JIM via his QRZ address. Activity will be on 14270 and 21370, plus or minus QRM.

SPECIAL EVENT. The Prezes BGK (SP9PGB) will activate the special event callsign **SN150HZ** (Sierra November One Five Zero Hotel Zulu) to celebrate the **150th birthday anniversary of Hugo Zapalowicz**. Activity will be on CW/SSB/RTTY/SSTV/PSK, between **July 15th and August 31st**. QSL, please, via the Bureau to SP9PGB. Hugo Zapalowicz was a Polish nature explorer and the activist for nature preservation, author of the natural science study, geological study and the study of folk names from region of the Babia Gora Mountain. He was a propagater for climbing and highlander folk custom. Babia Gora Mountain is at the top (1725m) of the Beskid Wysoki in Polish Carpatia Mountain.

ST, SUDAN. Sid, **ST2SA**, showed up on the Arabian Net June 28th on 14252 around 0615z. Sometimes he is active on SSTV on 14230 at various times. QSL via WB2RAJ.

UIA ACTIVITY. Serge, **UT2FA**, will operate **July 6-7th** from the Island of **Shabash**. Reference number DU-15 for the UIA (Ukrainian Island Award).

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS. Hiro/JF1OCQ and Tsutomu/JA1VND will be touring the Marshall Islands **July 2-10th**. During their vacation/DXpedition, they will sign **V73XX** (JF1OCQ) and **V73AA** (JA1VND) from **Majuro (OC-029)**. They plan to operate on 80-6 meters SSB/CW/RTTY/SAT. Suggested frequencies are:

- **CW** - 3507, 7007, 10108, 14027, 18077, 21027, 24897 and 28027 kHz
- **SSB** - 3797, 7096, 14170, 18137, 21270, 24937 and 28470
- **RTTY** - 14082, 21082
- **6m** - 50.115 MHz (when split, they will be listening to 50.125)

Their equipment will be two Yaesu FT-100 for HF and 6m's Beacon, a Kenwood TS-690SAT (for backup) and an Icom IC-706Mk2 (for backup). Their antennas will be a Delta-loop (33 ft. x 2) for HF, Long-wire for HF and a 4 elements YAGI for 6m. QSL via their home callsign, either direct or through the JA bureau.

YA, AFGHANISTAN. According to the **YA5T** Web page, news on operators and operations are as follows:

- Mark, VK4KMT, has left YA June 24th for a one month break.
- Karen, EK6KB, has left about 3 weeks ago.
- Mark, ON4WW, is back in YA since June 21st, for one week.
- Robert, S53R, is still in YA until July 13th.
- Peter, ON6TT, was expected to leave YA June 25th.

Nobody from the YA5T team is planned to be in YA from July 13th until mid August (at the earliest). By July 13th, they expect to have close to 40,000 QSOs.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLAND. Ken Holdom, ZL4HU, Group Organizer/Team Leader/QSL Manager, reports that "The Kermadec DX Association" is undertaking a DXpedition to Chatham Island (ZL7) between **October 15-29th, 2002**. This DXpedition follows their previous very highly successful DXpeditions to ZL8RI (Raoul Island) in May 1996 and ZL9CI (Campbell Island) in January 1999. They do realize that ZL7 is not on the most wanted country list, but the timing of this event will coincide with the CQWW SSB contest which will give DXers and Contesters alike the opportunity to perhaps gain a new band/mode for their awards, etc. The ZL7 DXpedition team will be made up of international operators from USA, England, Germany, Japan, New Zealand and possibly Canada. There is an exceptionally good mix of talent within the team, most of whom have been on previous DXpeditions. They hope to be able to operate 160-10 meters on all bands where possible, realizing, of course, that this may not be the best time to undertake such an event due to the position of the solar cycle. The operation site has been arranged and confirmed, as well as their callsign which will not be released until the time of the operation (this is to prevent "Pirates" stations to use the call prior to the DXpedition). The association is looking for funds/donations to help cover the high cost. In addition to financial support, they are also looking for equipment support in the way of filters, WARC and low band antennas, Radios etc. The **ONLY** address for **ALL** correspondence is: Kermadec DX Association ZL7, P.O. Box 7, Clyde, Central Otago, New Zealand. Cards and etc sent to their previous Wellington addresses will no longer reach them. E-mails can be sent to Ken Holdom at: zl2hu@clear.net.nz Please note that there will be **NO** online logs or pilots and they will **NOT** be E-qslng. This is a back-to-the-basics DXpedition, and they hope that you will all get a great deal of satisfaction in making contacts with them.

 SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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<http://www.papays.com/opdx.html>

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<http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/nodxa.html>

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